(c) whether a demand has been made by the Road Safety Forum to reduce the toll being charged between Vijayawada and Rajahmundry;

(d) the manner in which the NHAI would address this demand; and

(e) the steps proposed to reduce high tolls in that section?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir. Rate of user fee is determined on the basis of length of the tollable section and per km. rate provided in the National Highway (Rate of Fee) Rules, 1997 after necessary indexation and rounding off.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Development of Orissa Coastline

2210. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring new rules for development along the sea-shore;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the development would be funded by the foreign agencies;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of developments that are proposed to be taken up along the Orissa coastline?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (e) With respect to port development, there is no proposal at present to bring new rules for development along the sea-shore.

Funds allocated for National Highways in Tamil Nadu

2211. SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: